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Hello,

My name is Ramsey Ismail, and I have been a lifelong resident of the tri valley district. I am writing to request that there be no breaking up of the district as a result of the upcoming discussion and decisions on the subject.

The cities of Danville, San Ramon, Dublin, Pleasanton and Livermore have seen significant growth and development across the board over the past 40 years. The organization, planning and implementation of that growth can be directly attributed to the efforts, knowledge and collaboration (at all levels) of government, business and the community, and its representation at the local, regional and national levels.

I have seen roads, transportation, commerce, housing, community support programs, public safety, educational facilities, regional parks, recreation, and much more in the way of infrastructure, growth and development occurring. This organized planning and growth can be directly attributed to the efforts of our cohesive communities working together to achieve our goals.

As a fire captain with the Alameda County Fire Department for the past 20 years, I have personally seen in roads in public safety that have made this area one of the safest places to be in the event of a natural or man made disaster. Our multi jurisdictional and multi agency training and responses are directly tied to the tri valleys citizens and politicians support of the need for professional, diversely trained, public safety responders. We serve the area in a multitude of disciplines, from service to our LLNL facility to hazardous materials responses, all levels of fire responses and prevention, as well as heavy rescue capabilities, and paramedic services. Our communities and supporters have worked hard to procure and secure the best in public safety for this region.

It is my humble opinion (as a tri valley resident and public servant), that the district boundaries that include the tri valley communities of Danville, San Ramon, Dublin, Pleasanton and Livermore should not be altered. The people and their representation have worked together very hard over the years to forge relationships, work hard for its success, and plan for its future. When something works, don't fix it.

Respectfully,

Ramsey Ismail

Lifetime Tri Valley Resident Current Pleasanton Resident of 20 years Fire Captain, Alameda County Fire Department